REMARKS

The previously pending claims had received a Notice of Allowability.

Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination to clarify and correct various ambiguities and errors in structural depictions of claimed compounds, and one of the synthetic schemes (Scheme 2, p. 11). To more clearly present the claimed subject matter for further consideration and continued examination, the previously pending claims have been deleted, and substantially the same subject matter is presented here as a newly numbered set of claims.

On final review of the allowed claims, Applicants discovered errors and ambiguities in structural depictions of compounds claimed. Some of the structural depictions were inconsistent with the chemical terminology used to describe and define those compounds. For example, while certain compounds are defined as α -methyl acetates, structural depictions show or suggest that they are β -methyl propionates.

Additionally, the orientation of various moieties (e.g., R_1 moieties) have been modified to more clearly indicate the intended and described compounds, and the point of attachment. Although the orientation is modified, the compounds remain the same.

Finally, there were erroneous or ambiguous depictions of certain compounds and substituents (e.g., t-BOC protection of the amine functionality in Scheme 2, and an errant carbonyl moiety) that required correction to comport with the definition of those compounds in the text of the specification.

No new matter is added. Entry and substantive consideration of the foregoing amendments is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request continued examination, and entry and favorable consideration of this amendment. If the Examiner perceives any impediments to issuing a new Notice of Allowability, whether on formal or substantive grounds, Applicants urge the Examiner to call their representative at the number provided below. Such informal communication will expedite examination and disposal of the application.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

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